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of the

Town Officers

of

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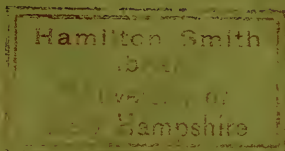
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for the year ending

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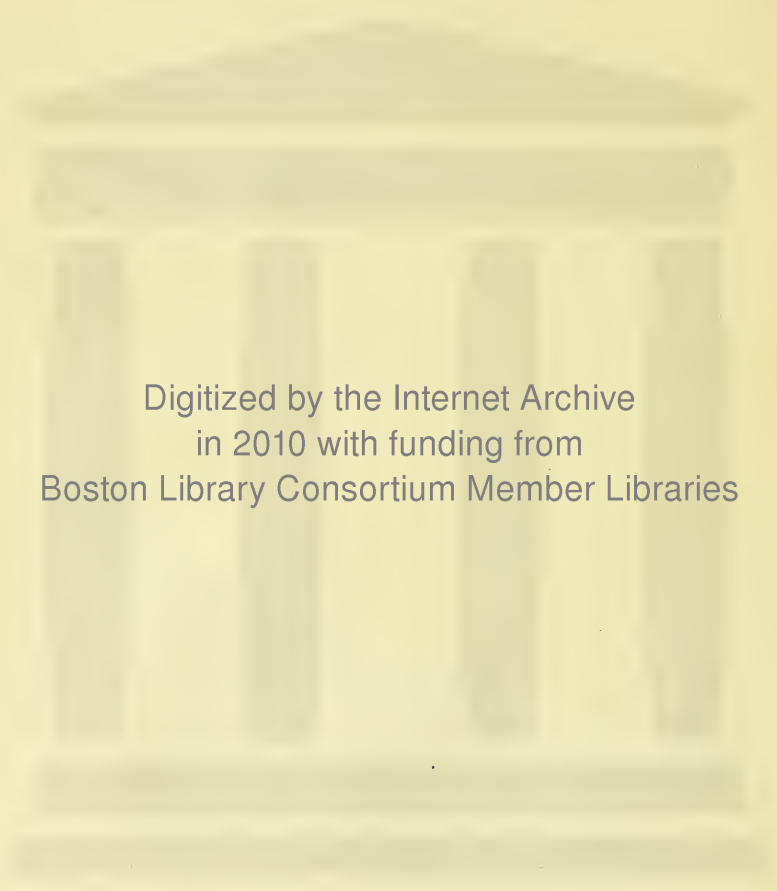
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LIST OF TOWN OFFICERS

Town Clerk
FLORENCE E. WRIGHT

Town Treasurer
B. F. BALLOU

Selectmen
W. H. ADAMS CHAS. H. BLAKE
 LOUIS A. SNOW
 Resigned Jan., 1931

New Board Elected Feb. 4, 1931
W. H. ADAMS WILLIAM JOHNSON
 WILLIAM E. WILLSON

Road Agent
FRANK BAIN

Tax Collector
MABELLE S. FRIEHOFFER

Trustees of Trust Funds
ORRIN O. CROSS

Auditors
CARL PIERSON PAULINE I. HANSON

Constable
Police
PETER J. LABOUNTY

TOWN WARRANT THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Gilsum in the County of Cheshire, in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Gilsum on Tuesday, the 10th day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.
3. To see if the town will appoint a committee to look after the observance of Memorial Day.
4. To see if the town will take any action in regard to state aid construction and maintenance and trunk line maintenance and appropriate money for same.
5. To see if the town will take any action in regard to street lights and appropriate money for same.
6. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to borrow money.
7. To see if the town will take any action in regard to white pine blister rust and appropriate money for same.

8. To see if the town will vote to accept reports of town officers.

9. To see what action the town will take in regard to payments of notes of Cheshire National Bank.

10. To see if the town will vote to shingle north side of Engine Hall and appropriate money for same.

11. To see if the town will vote to install fire alarm and raise money for same.

12. To see if the town will vote to confirm the action of special town meeting held December 26, 1930.

13. To see if the town will vote to confirm the contract entered into by the selectmen and Ray Hazelton Co., December 30, 1930.

14. To see what action the town will take in regard to snow removal on town roads and appropriate money for same.

15. To see what action the town will take in regard to purchasing snow removal equipment and appropriate money for same.

Given under our hands and seal, this 17th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty-one.

WM. H. ADAMS,
WM. P. JOHNSON,
WM. E. WILLSON,

Selectmen of Gilsum.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

WM. H. ADAMS,
WM. P. JOHNSON,
WM. E. WILLSON,

Selectmen of Gilsum.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GILSUM

ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR
THE ENSUING YEAR FEB. 1, 1931, TO FEB. 1, 1932
COMPARED WITH
ACTUAL REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES OF THE PRE-
VIOUS YEAR FEB. 1, 1930, TO FEB. 1, 1931

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1930	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1931
From state:		
Savings bank tax,	\$358 09	\$186 80
For fighting forest fires,	42 75	45 00
For highways:		
(a) For state aid maintenance,	400 00	
(b) For trunk line maintenance,	2,058 04	
Interest and dividend tax,	121 78	121 78
From local sources except taxes:		
All licenses and permits,	824 07	800 00
Fines and forfeits,	29 00	
Rent of town hall and other buildings,	68 00	68 00
Interest received on taxes and deposits,	85 24	85 00
Interest on trust funds,	49 17	49 17
Dog licenses,	75 00	
From county poor account,	60 50	
From poll taxes,	289 00	200 00

	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1930	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1931
From other taxes except property taxes:		
(a) National Bank stock,	17 00	17 00
Amount raised by issue of bonds or notes:		
Cheshire National Bank, temporary notes,	2,400 00	2,000 00
Total revenues from all sources except property taxes,	\$6,877 64	\$6,022 75
Amount raised by property taxes,	12,430 19	12,000 00
Total revenues,	\$19,307 83	\$18,022 75

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1930	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1931
Current maintenance expenses:		
General government:		
Town officers' salaries,	\$635 40	\$900 00
Town officers' expenses,	170 35	200 00
Care and supplies for town hall,	107 20	100 00
Protection of persons and property:		
Police department,	96 50	96 50
Fire department, includes forest fires, 400	561 06	500 00
Moth extermination,	200 00	200 00
Health:		
Health department,	2 00	2 00
Highways and bridges:		
State aid maintenance, town's contribution,	642 85	600 00
Trunk line maintenance, town's contribution,	3,763 15	3,000 00
Town maintenance,	3,409 34	2,300 00
Street lighting,	1,096 32	1,050 00
Education:		
Libraries,	100 00	150 00
Charities:		
Town poor,	169 26	400 00
Patriotic purposes:		
Memorial Day and other celebrations,	12 60	25 00
Public service enterprises:		
Cemeteries,	52 00	52 00
Interest:		
On temporary loans,	318 61	400 00
Interest on trust funds used by town,	68 34	68 34

	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1930	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1931
Payment on principal of debt:		
Term notes,	2,500 00	1,500 00
Payments to other governmental divisions:		
State taxes,	764 40	764 40
County taxes,	611 33	750 00
Payments to school districts,	2,775 00	3,000 00
Total expenditures,	\$18,055 71	\$16,058 24

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SUMMARY INVENTORY

Polls, 230.	
Land and buildings,	\$251,600 00
Electric distributing lines,	30,000 00
72 horses,	5,865 00
1 mule,	80 00
2 oxen,	250 00
110 cows,	8,595 00
2 neat stock,	165 00
2 sheep,	25 00
225 fowls,	125 00
5 portable mills,	1,000 00
Wood and lumber,	27,120 00
Gasoline pumps and tanks,	1,950 00
Stock in trade,	16,100 00
Mills and machinery,	22,060 00
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	\$364,935 00
Soldiers' exemption,	12,675 00
Amount of taxes committed to collector including poll taxes and national bank stock,	\$12,908 19
Tax rate, \$3.40 per \$100.	

LIST OF APPROPRIATIONS

Town officers' salaries,	\$600 00
Town officers' expenses,	200 00
Care of town hall and supplies,	100 00
Police department,	100 00
Fire department,	450 00
Pine blister rust,	200 00

Health department,	10 00
State aid maintenance,	500 00
State aid construction,	523 50
Trunk line maintenance,	500 00
Town maintenance and snow removal,	2,100 00
Street lighting,	1,100 00
Library,	200 00
Town poor,	300 00
Memorial day,	25 00
Interest on temporary loans,	364 34
Payment on principal of debt,	3,000 00
State tax,	764 40
County tax,	759 12
Schools,	3,324 00
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	\$15,120 36

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF GILSUM

For the Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1931

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Feb. 10, 1931.

WM. H. ADAMS,
WM. P. JOHNSON,
WM. E. WILLSON,

Selectmen.

B. F. BALLOU,

Treasurer.

ASSETS

Cash:

In hands of treasurer,	\$1,271 28
In hands of fire wards,	82 79
Town hall committee,	20 63

Sinking funds:

Water right bought for taxes,	17 40
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Accounts due to the town:

Due from state: Hedgehog bounties,	21 20
Due from county,	15 00

Other bills due town:

Taxes bought by town, 1928,	367 70
Taxes bought by town, 1929,	442 45

Taxes not collected:

Levy of 1928,	32 08
Levy of 1929,	78 25
Levy of 1930,	3,898 04
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Total assets,	\$6,246 82
Excess of liabilities over assets (net debt),	3,973 73
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Grand total,	\$10,220 55

LIABILITIES

Accounts owed by the town:

Bills outstanding,	\$150 00
Due town officers, estimated,	900 00
Due to state,	156 35
Due to county, county commissioner road hearing,	43 80
Due to school districts: balance of appropriation,	2,348 00

Outstanding temporary loans in anticipation of taxes:

Notes, Cheshire National Bank,	5,400 00
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Trust funds, amount of principal used by town:

Minister school fund,	300 00
D. W. Bill cemetery fund,	400 00
K. D. Webster cemetery fund,	22 40
L. W. Wilder school fund,	500 00
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Total liabilities,	\$10,220 55

RECEIPTS

Current revenue:

From local taxes:

Property taxes committed to collector, 1930,	\$12,430 19
Less discount and abatement, 1930,	505 92
Less uncollected, 1930,	3,898 04

1. Property taxes current year, actually collected,	\$8,027 23	
2. Poll taxes, current year, actually collected, at \$2.00,	289 00	
3. Property and poll taxes, previous years actually collected,	1,547 07	
4. National bank stock taxes,	17 00	
Total of above collections,		<u>\$9,880 30</u>
From state:		
5. For highways and bridges:		
(a) For state aid maintenance,	\$350 00	
(c) For trunk line maintenance, including snow removal,	2,108 04	
6. Interest and dividend tax,	123 32	
9. Savings bank tax,	358 09	
11. Fighting forest fires,	42 75	
12. Bounties,	8 60	
		<u>\$2,990 80</u>
From county:		
13. For support of poor,		\$60 50
From local sources, except taxes:		
15. Dog licenses,	\$75 00	
16. Business licenses and permits, pool room,	30 00	
17. Fines and forfeits, municipal court, Surry road damage,	29 00	
18. Rent of town property,	68 00	
19. Interest received on taxes,	85 24	
21. Income from trust funds,	49 17	
25. Registration of motor vehicles, 1930 permits,	318 61	
Registration of motor vehicles, 1931 permits,	475 46	
		<u>\$1,130 48</u>

Receipts other than current revenue:

27. Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year,	\$2,400 00	
33. Gifts,	20 00	
Sale of Guillow property,	1,215 00	
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Total receipts other than current revenue,		\$3,635 00
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Total receipts from all sources,		\$17,697 08
Cash on hand February 1, 1930,		1,677 41
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Grand total,		\$19,374 49

PAYMENTS

Current maintenance expenses:

General government:

1. Town officers' salaries,	\$635 40	
2. Town officers' expenses,	170 25	
5. Expenses town hall and other town buildings,	107 20	
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		\$912 85

Protection of persons and property:

6. Police department, including care of tramps,	\$96 50	
7. Fire department, including forest fires,	561 06	120.20
8. Blister rust,	200 00	
9. Bounties,	28 20	
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		\$885 76

Health:

11. Health department, including hospitals, Highways and bridges:		\$2 00
14. State aid maintenance,	\$642 85	
15. Trunk line maintenance, including snow removals,	3,763 15	

16.	Town maintenance,	3,409 34	
17.	Street lighting and sprinkling,	1,096 32	
		<hr/>	\$8,911 66
	Libraries:		
19.	Libraries,		\$100 00
	Charities:		
20.	Town poor,	\$169 26	
21.	County poor,	15 00	
		<hr/>	\$184 26
	Patriotic purposes:		
22.	Aid to G. A. R. Memorial Day exercises,		\$12 60
	Public service enterprises:		
27.	Cemeteries, including hearse hire,		\$52 00
	Unclassified:		
30.	Discounts and abatements,		\$4 00
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	Total current maintenance expenses,		\$11,065 13
	Interest:		
32.	Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes,	\$318 61	
35.	Paid on principal of trust funds used by town,	68 34	
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	Total interest payments,		\$386 95
	Indebtedness:		
44.	Payments on temporary loans in antici- pation of taxes,	\$2,500 00	
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	Total indebtedness payments,		\$2,500 00

Payments to other governmental divisions:

50. Taxes paid to state,	\$764 40
51. Taxes paid to county,	611 73
53. Payments to school districts,	2,775 00
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Total payments to other governmental divisions,	\$4,151 13
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Total payments for all purposes,	\$18,103 21
Cash on hand January 31, 1931,	1,271 28
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Grand total,	\$19,374 49

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

DESCRIPTION	VALUE
1. Town hall, land and buildings,	\$3,000 00
Furniture and equipment,	1,600 00
2. Libraries, furniture and equipment,	800 00
3. Police department, equipment,	10 00
4. Fire department, land and buildings,	600 00
Equipment,	5,000 00
5. Highway department, land and buildings,	300 00
Equipment,	100 00
7. Water supply, if owned by town,	750 00
8. Schools, lands and buildings,	3,000 00
Equipment,	200 00
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Total,	\$15,360 00

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

Number of marriages recorded,	None
Number of births recorded,	15
Number of deaths in town recorded,	6
Number brought to town for burial,	8
Number of dog taxes recorded,	40
Number of auto permits,	227

FLORENCE E. WRIGHT,
Town Clerk.

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash in treasury, Feb. 8, 1930,	\$1,677 41
By Maybelle S. Friehofer, taxes, 1929,	1,281 62
By Maybelle S. Friehofer, taxes, 1930,	8,683 92
State treasurer, highway department,	2,458 04
State treasurer, savings bank tax, year 1929,	171 29
State treasurer, savings bank tax, 1930,	186 80
State treasurer, dividend tax,	123 32
State treasurer, forest fire,	42 75
State treasurer, hedgehog licenses,	8 60
From county, poor,	60 50
Auto permits, licenses for 1930,	318 61
Auto permits, licenses for 1931,	475 46
Pool table licenses,	30 00
Dog licenses,	75 00
B. Pereni & Sons, damage Surry road,	29 00
O. O. Cross, town hall rent,	68 00
Trustees of trust funds, interest on cemetery fund,	49 17
Mrs. Hussey, painting engine hall, gift,	20 00
For sale of Gilsum property,	1,215 00
Borrowed Cheshire National Bank,	2,400 00
	<hr/> \$19,374 49

EXPENDITURES

Paid selectmen's orders,	\$18,103 21
Balance in treasury, Feb. 13, 1931,	<hr/> \$1,271 28

REPORT OF HIGHWAYS

TOWN ROAD MAINTENANCE

Frank Bain:

Week ending Feb. 28,	\$114 02
Week ending Mar. 29,	42 70
Week ending April 5,	30 00
Week ending April 12,	69 40
Week ending April 19,	55 70
Week ending April 26,	64 75
Week ending May 3,	60 00
Week ending May 10,	95 87
Week ending May 17,	36 00
Week ending May 21,	30 10
Week ending June 7,	56 00
Week ending June 14,	80 00
Week ending June 21,	40 80
Week ending June 28,	106 74
Week ending July 5,	146 00
Week ending July 25,	29 00
Week ending August 2,	101 40
Week ending August 16,	64 00
Week ending August 23,	108 50
Week ending August 30,	103 30
Week ending Sept. 6,	83 80
Week ending Sept. 13,	82 55
Week ending Sept. 20,	88 00
Week ending Oct. 4,	89 00
Week ending Oct. 11,	83 40
Week ending Oct. 25,	32 00
Week ending Nov. 1,	86 10

Week ending Nov. 29,	40 00
Error in order March 9, 1930,	1 00
	<hr/> \$2,020 13

MISCELLANEOUS ROAD BILLS

H. A. B. A. Hood:	
Feb., 3096 ft. bridge plank,	\$108 06
Mar. 10, 946 ft. bridge plank,	34 41
April, blade of scraper,	9 50
June, Louis A. Snow for culverts,	15 00
Nov., Robert Blake, 1784 ft. bridge plank,	62 44
D. W. Bates, use of water trough,	3 00
	<hr/> \$232 41

SNOW REMOVAL, BREAKING OUT ROADS

Frank Bain, week ending Jan. 25, 1930,	\$40 60
George H. Howard, week Feb. 17, 1930,	5 75
Fred G. Huntley, week Feb. 22, 1930,	8 33
Frank Bain, Jan. 3, 1931,	18 73
Frank Bain, Jan. 17, 1931,	56 39
Frank Bain, Jan. 30, 1931,	134 00
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The above includes hiring state tractor.

R. C. Haselton Co., lease of tractor and plow,	\$883 00
Charles H. Blake, lumber used for housing tractor,	10 00
	<hr/> \$893 00

STATE AID MAINTENANCE ROAD

	State	Town	Total
Apportionment,	\$1,250 00	\$500 00	\$1,750 00
Expended by state,			\$748 02
Expended by town,			423 05
			<hr/> \$1,171 07

SNOW ACCOUNT

	State	Town	
Apportionment,	\$254 90	\$254 90	\$5 80
Expended by town,			\$462 94
Expended by state,			38 28
Payment to town,			208 04

TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE

	State	Town	Total
Balance,	\$2,958 86	\$657 52	\$3,616 38
Apportionment,	2,250 00	500 00	2,750 00
Expended by state,			\$3,524 62
Expended by town,			1,325 65
Total to date,			\$4,850 27

STREET LIGHTING

Town appropriation,	\$1,100 00
Unexpended balance, 1930,	59 55
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	\$1,159 55
Public Service Co., for street lighting from Mar. 8, 1930, to Feb. 10, 1931,	1,096 32
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Unexpended balance,	\$63 23

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

O. H. Hubbard, town clerk,	\$46 50
Bertha M. Wright, assistant clerk,	41 87
B. F. Ballou, town treasurer,	75 78
L. A. Snow, selectman from July 1, 1929 to March 1, 1930,	48 00
W. H. Adams, selectman from May 1, 1929 to March 11, 1930	129 25
John A. Smith, auditor,	4 00
Chas. Frasier, supervisor of check list,	7 00
Ben E. Guillow, supervisor of check list,	7 00

John L. White, supervisor of check list,	7 00
John E. Isham, ballot inspector,	4 00
Carl H. Pierson, auditor,	4 00
L. A. Snow, selectman from March, 1930, to May 1, 1930,	44 00
W. H. Adams, selectman from March 1, to May 1, 1930,	45 00
Chas. H. Blake, selectman from March 1, to July 12,	45 00
John L. White, supervisor of check list, Nov. election,	15 00
Phin M. Wright, moderator,	12 00
Orrin O. Cross, ballot inspector,	4 00
Florence E. Wright, town clerk, making out auto permits,	15 75
Florence E. Wright, town clerk, making out auto permits,	11 25
William P. Johnson, constable,	7 00
Chas. H. Blake, selectman from July to Feb. 1930,	42 00
Frank E. Smith, overseer of poor and health officer,	20 00
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	\$635 40

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

Cash on hand Feb. 1st., 1930,	\$8 87
Received from Marlow, use of engine,	10 00
Appropriations,	\$350 00
Cash in town treasury,	5 56
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Received from town treasurer,	355 56
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Total	\$374 43

EXPENDITURES

Care, repairs, cleaning wells, etc.,	\$19 85
Company pay roll, including fire wards,	48 00
For fires,	54 50
P. M. Wright, care of fire station, etc.,	62 50
Insurance,	19 35
Gas,	2 68
Batteries for lantern,	90
Carter Coal Co., coal,	48 86
Keene Fire Department, at Patnode and Gunn farms,	35 00
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	\$291 64
Cash on hand Feb. 1st., 1931,	\$82 79
Attended—12 chimney fires.	
Attended—2 house fires.	
Answered call to Marlow house fire.	
The fire wards wish to thank all who helped at any of the fires.	
Painting engine house.	
Appropriation of town,	\$100 00

We wish to thank Mrs. Hussey for her gift of \$20.00.
Painting was done by John White and P. M. Wright for \$120 00

P. M. WRIGHT, Chief,
WM. P. JOHNSON,
C. H. BLAKE,
Fire Wards of Gilsum.

REPORT OF CEMETERIES

Centennial Cemetery and Village Cemetery:

Received from town,		\$47 00
Expenditures cutting grass and care:		
Chas. W. Ranson, cemetery lot,	\$4 54	
Myron W. Adams cemetery lot,	3 40	
Otis Kingsbury cemetery lot,	2 37	
Helen L. Isham cemetery lot,	2 27	
Emma D. Woods cemetery lot,	4 54	
Eben W. Jones cemetery lot,	4 54	
Daniel W. Bill cemetery lot,	24 00	
Dr. K. D. Webster cemetery lot,	1 34	
		\$47 00
East Cemetery:		
Received from town treasurer,	\$5 00	
Expenditures cutting grass and care,		\$5 00
		\$52 00

Respectfully submitted,
 WILLIAM H. ADAMS,
 Sexton of Centennial and Village Cemetery.

DANIEL W. BATES,
 Sexton of East Cemetery.

REPORT OF OVERSEER OF POOR

Total receipts from town,	\$138 76
Total expenditures,	126 26
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Balance on hand,	\$12 50
Jan. 7, aid to Walter Whitten and family,	\$3 26
Jan. 16, aid to Radolph Aualt,	3 00
Jan. 21, aid to Radolph Aualt,	2 00
Jan. 25, aid to Radolph Aualt,	3 00
Jan. 31, aid to Radolph Aualt,	3 00
Jan. 31, aid to Earl Hurd family,	3 00
Feb. 9, aid to Walter Whitten family,	3 00
Feb. 9, aid to Radolph Aualt,	2 00
Feb. 9, aid to Walter Whitten, 1 month rent,	6 00
Feb. 9, aid to Eliza Whitten, 1 month rent,	6 00
Care of 144 tramps at 50c,	72 00
Wood for tramp house,	5 00
Services as overseer of poor,	15 00
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	\$126 26

Aid to Alfreda Howard:

Medical aid, Dr. Williams,	\$30 00
Medical aid Dr. Robb,	4 00
Bessie Holt, care of Alfreda Howard,	50 00
W. H. Adams, sexton, digging grave,	9 00

FRANK E. SMITH,
Overseer of Poor.

COUNTY AID

Due town of Gilsum from County, aid to Ruth Laurence and family,	\$60 50
April 10, 1930, received from county,	60 50
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Jan. 7, Alonzo Hill and family,	\$5 00
Feb. 9, Alonzo Hill and family, 1 month rent,	10 00
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	\$15 00
Due from county,	\$15 00

FRANK E. SMITH,
Overseer of Poor.

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

Received of town for health aid of Sawyer family,	\$25 00
Paid out,	15 00
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Balance on hand,	\$10 00
Transporting Sawyer boy to Keene,	\$2 00
Received from town,	2 00
Services as health officer one year,	5 00

FRANK E. SMITH,
Health Officer.

REPORT OF TOWN HALL COMMITTEE.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1930,	\$22 20
Received from dances and shows,	130 50
Received from Grange and socials,	41 00
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	\$193 70

EXPENDITURES

Paid town treasurer,	\$68 00
Paid janitor,	97 75
Supplies,	7 32
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1931,	20 63
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	\$193 70

TOWN HALL COMMITTEE.

O. O. CROSS.

Appropriation for town hall, 1930,	\$100 00
Public Service Co., lighting hall,	\$33 63
Eugene S. Smith, tuning and repairing piano,	5 00
G. H. Aldrich, Sons, insurance on barn,	2 25
Mason Insurance Co., insurance on hall, 3 yrs.	20 00
A. B. Palmer Insurance Co., insurance, 3 yrs.	40 00
Carl H. Pierson, new stove pipe, etc.,	6 32
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	\$107 20

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

During the past year 77 new books have been purchased for the library, making a total of 3,100 catalogued books.

The library subscribes for 6 magazines, the American, Good Housekeeping, National Geographic, Literary Digest, Popular Science, and "New Hampshire," the Granite State Monthly.

Several friends have given used magazines during the year, among them being the Saturday Evening Post for 1930, being the gift of Mrs. Della Hubbard.

Mrs. Candace Mack Barker of Keene, a former resident of Gilsum has given 22 numbers of a valuable series of photographic world view portfolios.

HELEN W. SMITH,
Librarian.

TRUSTEES

OSMAN H. HUBBARD,	Term expires 1931
MABELLE S. FRIEHOFFER,	Term expires 1931
BERTHA M. WRIGHT,	Term expires 1931
LEON WRIGHT,	Term expires 1932
BESSIE E. ADAMS,	Term expires 1932
BERTHA NICHOLS,	Term expires 1932
MINNIE HANSON,	Term expires 1933
CHARLES B. MARTIN,	Term expires 1933
CHARLES FRASER,	Term expires 1933

The annual meeting of the library trustees will be held in the library March 14, 1931, at 8 o'clock.

Cash on hand March 1, 1930,	\$65 97
Cash from town, half of amount raised,	100 00
Cash from fines,	7 00

\$172 97

Books purchased,	\$33 74	
Magazines subscriptions,	13 00	
Librarians' salary,	120 00	
Cash on hand March 1, 1931,	6 23	
	<hr/>	\$172 97

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF GILSUM, N. H.

Year Ending January 31, 1931

Date of Creation	Trust Funds Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Per Cent Interest	Income During Year	Expended During Year
1914	Chas. W. Rawson Cemetery Fund	Cheshire County Savings Bank	\$100.00	4½ %	\$4.54	\$4.54
1918	Myron W. Adams Cemetery Fund	Cheshire County Savings Bank	75.00	4½ %	3.40	3.40
1916	Otis H. Kingsbury Cemetery Fund	Walpole Savings Bank	100.00			
1916	Otis H. Kingsbury School Fund	Walpole Savings Bank	200.00	4½ %	13.65	13.65
1923	Helen L. Isham Cemetery Fund	Cheshire County Savings Bank	50.00	4½ %	2.27	2.27
1900	Daniel W. Bill Cemetery Fund	Town Note	400.00	6 %	24.00	24.00
1906	Dr. K. D. Webster Cemetery Fund	Town Note	22.40	6 %	1.34	1.34
1921	Lansing W. Wilder Cemetery Fund	Town Note	500.00	5 %	25.00	25.00
1798	Minister's Fund for Schools	Town Note	300.00	6 %	18.00	18.00
1927	Eben W. Jones Cemetery Fund	Cheshire County Savings Bank	100.00	4½ %	4.54	4.54
1927	Emma D. Woods Cemetery Fund	Cheshire County Savings Bank	100.00	4½ %	4.54	4.54
					\$101.28	\$101.28

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the selectmen and other town officers and find them correct.

Feb. 17, 1931.

FLORENCE E. WRIGHT,
PAULINE I. HANSON,

Auditors.

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FINANCIAL REPORT

For School Year Ending June 30, 1930

RECEIPTS

From state, equalization, state aid,		\$3,284 83
For support of elementary schools \$5 tax,	\$1,864 67	
For high school tuition,	700 00	
For salary of district officers,	126 00	
Per capita tax,	216 00	
Special appropriations, minor repairs,	75 00	
School nurse,	150 00	
Superintendent's excess salary,	142 84	
For new floors,	450 00	
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Total amount from taxation,		\$3,724 51
From sources other than taxation:		
Dog licenses,	\$97 30	
Income from local trust funds,	52 11	
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Total amount from other sources,		\$149 41
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Total receipts from all sources,		\$7,158 75
Cash on hand at beginning of year July 1, 1929,		\$1,569 90
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Grand total,		\$8,728 65

EXPENDITURES

Administration:		
Salaries of district officers,		\$94 00
Superintendent's excess salary,		142 85
Truant officers and school census,		30 00
Expenses of administration,		6 53

Instruction :	
Teachers' salaries,	3,450 00
Text books,	66 55
Scholar's supplies,	148 61
Other expenses of instruction,	21 72
Operation and maintenance of school plant:	
Janitor service,	354 00
Fuel,	234 60
Water, light, janitor's supplies,	57 85
Minor repairs and expenses,	611 29
Auxiliary agencies and special activities:	
Medical inspection,	234 50
Transportaton of pupils,	863 00
High school tuition,	534 77
Fixed charges:	
Tax for state wide supervision, per capita,	216 00
Outlay for equipment:	
New equipment,	33 94
Total payments for all purposes,	<hr/> \$7,100 21
Total cash on hand at end of year, June 30, 1930,	
(including amount due from town),	1,628 44
Grand total,	<hr/> \$8,728 65

This is to certify that we have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Gilsum, N. H., of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1930, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL H. PIERSON,
JOHN A. SMITH,

Auditors.

SCHOOL BOARD ESTIMATE FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1931-32

Support of elementary school tax estimated,	\$2,030 53
Salary of district officers and truant officers,	126 00
Superintendent's excess salary,	142 85
Per capita tax,	220 00
High school tuition,	900 00
Minor repairs,	75 00
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Total,	\$3,494 38

BERNICE F. WRIGHT,
WM. P. JOHNSON,
GEO. H. HOWARD,

School Board.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Gilsum:

I herein submit my eighth annual report as superintendent of schools.

Herbert Spencer told us many years ago that "To prepare for complete living is the function which education has to discharge; and the only rational mode of judging of any educational course is to judge in what degree it discharges such functions."

Today this definition implies not only a knowledge of the "Three R's," a reasonable accuracy in the fundamentals, a workable habit in the mechanics and skills of knowledge, but also an adjustment to conditions which prevailing isms and a machine age have brought upon us.

The propaganda in the form of various isms which are attacking our institutions can be successfully met only through education.

The rising generation must have its intellectual activity aroused and strengthened through the habits of cogent reasoning. They must be taught to think. Teachers must not be content with the when, where and what, but more emphasis and attention must be placed on the why. That is, factual questions alone will not accomplish our ends but we must rely more on reasoning projects rightly directed. The walking encyclopedia of facts is not the educated man of today. For often the facts of the Past become the untruths of the Present, especially in science.

Again, the need for training for leisure has been forced upon us during the last year more strongly than ever before. The unemployment situation is provocative of our most serious

consideration. Labor, today, is calling for the eight-hour day and the five-day week and machines are doing the work formerly done by human brain and muscle.

What will the rising generation do with their leisure time? How can we train the young so that they can utilize their leisure in beneficial rather than in detrimental ways? How can our pupils be taught to be appreciative and to gain enjoyment from reflection, meditation and thought instead of eternally seeking nervous excitation, so called thrills? How can we cultivate in our leisure time an appreciation of the culture which we have inherited from former ages and is available for all of us in literature, in art, in music, in architecture and in the beauty and mystery of nature?

These are questions which challenge our best intelligence, efforts and thought.

PROMOTIONS

The following numbers of promotions in respective grades were made in June:

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Grammar,					3	9	6	2
Primary,	9	5	5	11				
West,	2	2		2			1	4
Belvedere,	1	1		1			1	
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals,	12	8	5	14	3	9	8	6

The above promotions were made on the five point basis, viz.: regularity of attendance, term rank, standard tests, judgment of teacher and judgment of superintendent.

Stanford's Achievement Tests were given. Test V was given at mid-year and test W was given in June. Also the Otis Standard Graduation examination for elementary schools was given to the eighth grade.

In the above mentioned tests, the pupils maintained creditable standing in their respective grades.

TEACHERS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1930

Grammar,	HELEN M. HUSSEY
Primary,	TERESA O'MARA
West,	JOSEPHINE CONWAY
Belvedere,	GLADYS BRITTON

Judging from the impressions received on frequent visits of inspection and from results obtained with standard tests, I feel safe in saying that the teachers have maintained a favorable reputation for efficiency in teaching and results in drill work. The results of the standard tests given showed a normal year's growth and the classes well organized and graded.

The same staff of teachers continue in the schools the present year with the exception of Miss Hussey. Miss Hussey having resigned, Mrs. Helen Huckins, a graduate of Plymouth Normal School was assigned to the Grammar school.

At the time of writing, the schools of the town are progressing normally and give promise of a successful year.

GRADUATION

On the evening of June 19, the following pupils were graduated from the eighth grade of the Gilsum schools: Lillian Bunker, Dorothy Clark, Arthur Hammond, Virginia LaBounty, Alice Plimpton and Anna Thayer.

The parts were well written and delivered, reflecting credit on pupils and teachers.

The address of the evening was given by the Rev. Austin H. Reed of Keene. Mr. Reed gave an instructive and inspiring message to the pupils.

HEALTH ACTIVITIES

The school nurse, Marion K. Warner R. N., examined 94 pupils and 4 teachers in the month of October 1929, with the following results:

Underweight (10%),	20
Defective vision,	9

Nervous condition,	1
Deformity,	1
Defective teeth,	84
Diseased tonsils,	24
Defective breathing,	1
Enlarged glands,	2
Defective speech,	5
Number of pupils receiving treatment:	
Underweight,	7
Deformity,	1
Number of defects corrected:	
Defective teeth,	32
Diseased tonsils,	2
Protection against communicable disease:	
Number vaccinated,	78
Number excused by board of health,	6
Number unsuccessfully vaccinated three times,	3

SPECIAL WORK

Dental clinic, March 30, 1930, number treated,	32
Underweight clinic, at Keene, Jan. 28, 1930, number treated,	4
Tonsil and adenoid clinic, at Keene, May 22, 1930, number treated,	2

STATE COURSE OF STUDY

The new state course of study was placed in the schools last September. This course is an improvement on the old course, more extensive, more teachable and will give a more unified and standardized course throughout the state.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the school board, teachers, parents and citizens for their co-operation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK T. JOHNSON,
Supt. of Schools.

Marlborough, N. H., Feb. 12, 1931.

HONOR ROLL

Pupils neither absent nor tardy for the entire year:

Virginia Clark	Ernest Sawyer
Mildred Chamberlain	Elsie Sawyer
Helen Sawyer	Charles Thayer
Herman Sawyer	

General statistics for year ending June 30, 1930:

Length of school year in weeks,	36
Total enrollment,	104
Average membership,	74.80
Average attendance,	70.85
Percent of attendance,	94.71
Percent of attendance for the district,	95.62
Percent of attendance for state,	95.50
Number of tardinesses,	85
Number of visits by nurse,	82
Number of visits by members of school board,	11
Number of visits by citizens,	88
Number of visits by superintendent,	85

SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the school district in the town of Gilsum qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall in said district on the 10th day of March, 1931, at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the school board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the school board and truant officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose agents, auditors and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

8. To see if the district will vote to make any alterations in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.

9. To see if the district will vote to support a school nurse and appropriate money for the same.

10. To see if the district will take any action in regard to electric lights and appropriate money for the same.

Given under our hands at said Gilsum this 11th day of February, 1931.

BERNICE F. WRIGHT;
WM. P. JOHNSON,
GEO. H. HOWARD,
School Board.

A true copy of warrant—Attest:

BERNICE F. WRIGHT,
WM. P. JOHNSON,
GEO. H. HOWARD,
School Board.

VITAL STATISTICS

To the Selectmen:

In compliance with an act of the legislature, passed June session, 1887, amended by the legislature of 1889, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publications in the Annual Report," I hereby submit the following:

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF GILSUM, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1930

Date of Birth.	Name of Child (if any.)	Sex and Condition.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
		Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.							
Feb. 12	Betty Marie	F	L	Arthur G. Lee	Beatrice V. Raymond	Merchant	Sydenham, Ont.	Parham, Ont.	30	23
Apr. 1	Charles William	M	L	Isaac R. Longiver	Ione A. Wilder	Lumberman	Keene	Windhall, Vt.	30	23
Apr. 5	Henri Edward	M	L	Richard R. Pletzner	Rose L. St. George	Laborer	Alstead	Canada	34	34
" 9	Glen Edward	M	L	Edward T. Clark	Pearl E. Anderson	Dyer	Hartford, Conn.	S Manchester, Ct.	35	33
" 8	Violet Inadell	F	L	Woodbury G. Corey	Winifred L. Patterson	Dyer	Gilsum	Nova Scotia	30	33
" 13	Beatrice May	F	L	Prinnie Howard	Anna Spaulding	Laborer	Gilsum	Burlington, Vt.	23	17
June 19	Ralph Russell	M	L	Orrin C. Miller	Irma L. Heath	Laborer	Gilsum	Gilsum	51	33
Apr. 27	Carl W. Estelle	M	L	Carl W. Wheeler	Mahalia S. Culley	Farmer	Nashua	Dublin	44	29
July 30	Ramona, Jr.	F	L	Raymond L. Sherrick	Beryl M. Whitten	Miner	Everett, Mass.	Gilsum	29	18
Aug. 26	Randolph, Jr.	M	L	Harold N. Everett	Eva M. Caron	Miner	Bruswick, Me.	Marlow	33	24
Sept. 6	Robert Harold	M	L	Lawrence Nichols	Carolyn Johnson	Farmer	Gilsum	Lawrence, Mass.	30	26
Oct. 19	Ann	F	L	Rufus J. Heath	Elizabeth A. Davis	Laborer	Gilsum	Norway, Me.	25	31
Nov. 11	Robert Justice	M	L	Leon R. Walker	Orlean O. Whipple	Laborer	Acworth	Surry	30	20
Dec. 3	Roswell Leon	M	L	John Navish	Iue P. Alexander	Factory	Lithuania	Alstead	23	19
" 25		M	L					E. Alstead	37	28

No marriages registered for year 1930.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF GILSUM, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1930

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age			Place of Birth.	Sex and Cond'n	Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
		Years.	Months.	Days.			Father.	Mother.		
Jan. 2	Geo. E. Newman	79	9	28	Gilsum	M	M	Gilsum	Geo. W. Newman	Esther Loveland
" 4	Elwin C. Messer	69	3	4	Ludlow, Vt.	M	W	Gilsum	Timothy B. Messer	Susan Baker
Feb. 25	Lura A. Howard	91	10	13	Gilsum	F	W	Gilsum	Bradford Nash	Lydia Davis
Mar. 31	George E. Newell	73	9	17	Keene	M	W	Marlboro	James Newell	Maryon White
Feb. 22	Josephine Fitzgerald	76	3	21	"	F	W	"	"	"
Jan. 21	Robert D. Whitney	8	1	1	Keene	M	S	Gilsum	Allan D. Whitney	Grace Howard
June 9	Mary J. F. Isham	18	7	1	Martha's Vineyard, Ms	F	W	Martha's V. Ms	Charles Francis	Mary Dunham
" 18	Ida W. W. Cowdry	60	11	14	Gilsum	F	W	Bemington, Vt.	"	Jennie Chapin
" 24	Margaret McAskill	73	10	4	"	F	W	"	"	"
July 10	Antoine LaBounty	89	4	24	Canada	M	W	Canada	Antoine LaBounty	Sarah A. Day
Aug. 3	Sarah A. Webster	89	10	14	Gilsum	F	W	Gilsum	Ezra Webster	Susan Nash
" 5	Rosilla V. White	74	9	29	Marlow	F	W	Gilsum	Harvey Miller	Martha Loveland
Sept. 23	John A. Smith	81	4	26	Gilsum	M	S	Gilsum	Daniel Smith	Inez P. Alexander
Dec. 25	— Navish				Gilsum	M	S	E. Alstead	John Navish	"

*Single, married or widowed.

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of Births, Marriages and Deaths is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

FLORENCE E. WRIGHT,
Town Clerk.

